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Profile of Yukon Aboriginals

Highlights

The following statistics are from the 2001 Census of Canada which occurred on **May 15, 2001.**

Labour Force

In the Yukon, the Aboriginal population's unemployment rate is more than double that of the overall Yukon population. For the week prior to the latest Census, May 15, 2001, the unemployment rate for Yukon Aboriginals was 26.8% compared with 11.6% for the total Yukon population.

Income

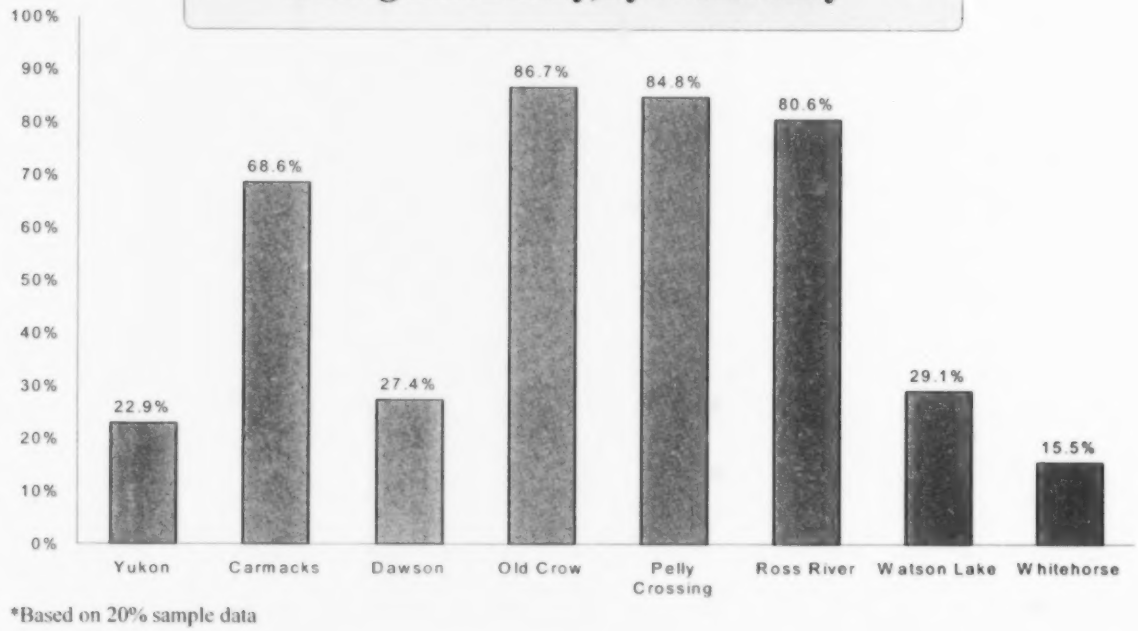
Median household income for Yukon Aboriginals was $39,614 for 2000, while the overall Yukon figure was $51,930.

Education

The overall rate for Yukoners aged 25 and over without a high school graduation certificate was 19.8%, while the rate for Yukon Aboriginals was 33.5%

Note: For definitions of terms used in this publication, see page 4.

Percentage of Total Population Reporting Aboriginal Identity, by Community*



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(For the week prior to the latest Census, May 15, 2001)

	Total Yukon Population		Yukon Aboriginal Population		Carmacks	Dawson	Old Crow	Pelly Crossing	Ross River	Watson Lake	Whitehorse
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Labour Force Indicators											
Participation rate	79.8		71.9		73.0	81.6	67.6	80.0	76.3	69.0	72.3
Employment rate	70.6		52.6		45.9	69.4	54.1	52.5	42.1	48.3	53.5
Unemployment rate	11.6		26.8		37.0	15.0	20.0	34.4	44.8	30.0	26.0
Occupation		**% of Experienced Total Labour Force**		**% of Experienced Aboriginal Labour Force**							
Total experienced labour force	17,670		3,145		130	195	125	155	130	95	1,560
Management	2,255	12.8%	235	7.5%	10	10	10	10	15	10	120
Business, finance and administration	3,135	17.7%	450	14.3%	15	25	20	30	15	15	215
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	1,120	6.3%	145	4.6%	10	10	0	10	0	0	75
Health	710	4.0%	50	1.6%	0	0	0	10	0	0	35
Social science, education,gov't service and religion	2,145	12.1%	390	12.4%	20	20	20	25	20	25	190
Art, culture, recreation and sport	640	3.6%	110	3.5%	10	10	10	10	0	0	70
Sales and service	4,040	22.9%	820	26.1%	25	50	35	25	25	25	460
Trades, transport and equip't operators and related occupations	2,835	16.0%	685	21.8%	30	60	25	30	35	15	305
Occupations unique to primary industries	530	3.0%	195	6.2%	15	10	10	20	15	10	55
Occupations unique to manufacturing, processing and utilities	265	1.5%	80	2.5%	0	0	0	0	10	10	35

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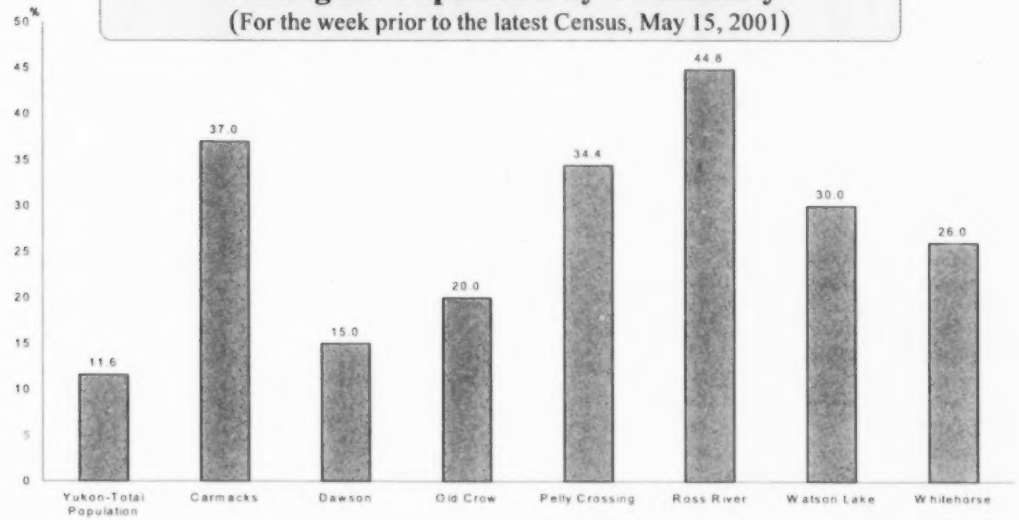

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Persons aged 15 + with income	**21,675**	**4,295**	175	235	180	195	185	130	2,100
Median total income of persons aged 15+	**$26,488**	**$16,223**	$12,528	$19,307	$13,376	$15,008	$12,560	$17,472	$17,925
Median Household Income	**$51,930**	**$39,614**	$27,904	$35,712	$24,928	$34,304	$22,400	$33,280	$45,734
Composition of total income									
Earnings- % of income	**85.6%**	**79.7%**	68.7%	89.1%	76.0%	75.3%	78.3%	80.1%	81.3%
Gov't transfers- % of income	**8.6%**	**17.2%**	22.8%	9.5%	17.6%	22.6%	20.8%	17.3%	15.7%
Other money- % of income	**5.8%**	**3.2%**	7.8%	1.4%	5.5%	1.2%	0.9%	1.9%	3.0%

Highest level of Schooling, Total Yukon Population and Aboriginal Population by Community, Aged 25 and Over

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Population aged 25+	18,565	3,540	140	195	145	155	155	125	1,665
Persons with:									
Less than high school graduation certificate	3,685	1,185	55	80	55	30	75	45	500
High school graduation certificate	1,575	180	10	10	10	0	10	10	80
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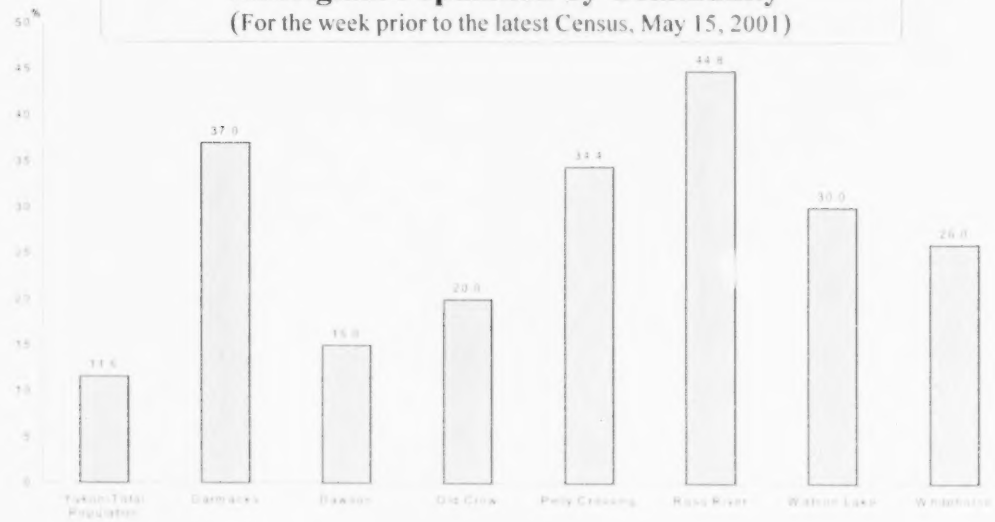

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Notes

There are many ways of defining the Aboriginal population, which can result in different estimates of its size. There is no single or "correct" definition of the Aboriginal population and the choice of a definition depends on the purpose for which it is to be used. Different definitions/counts are used depending on the focus and requirements of the user. For the purposes of this report, **Aboriginal Identity** was used.

Aboriginal Identity refers to those person who reported identifying with at least one Aboriginal group, i.e. North American Indian, Metis or Inuit. Also included are individuals who did not report an Aboriginal identity, but did report themselves as a Registered or Treaty Indian, and/or Band or First Nation membership.

Participation, Employment and Unemployment rates refer to the number of persons employed in the week (Sunday to Saturday) prior to Census Day (May 15, 2001), expressed as a percentage of the total population 15 years of age and over.

Total income refers to the total money income received during calendar year 2000 by persons 15 years of age and over.

Median income of persons 15 years of age and over is that amount which divides their income size distribution into two halves, i.e. the incomes of the first half of the persons are below the median, while those of the second half are above the median.

The Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation definition of an **Aboriginal household** has been used for the household and occupied private dwelling characteristics for the Aboriginal Identity population.

An **Aboriginal household** is defined as follows:

- any single-family household where at least one spouse, common-law partner or lone parent is considered part of the Aboriginal identity population;
- any multiple-family household where at least one of the families in the household is an Aboriginal household (as defined above); and
- any non-family household where at least 50% of the household members are considered to be part of the Aboriginal identity population.

Need More Information?

Additional statistics from the 2001 Census are currently available, including population, dwelling counts, language, mobility, migration, citizenship, immigration, ethnic origin, labour force activity, occupation, place of work, mode of transportation, unpaid work, school attendance, education, highest level of schooling, earnings, religion, shelter costs, income and social and economic characteristics of individuals, families and households.

Please Note: The majority of figures shown in this publication have been subjected to a confidentiality procedure known as "random rounding" in which counts are rounded to a multiple of "5" which may cause sums not to equal totals.

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